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THAT AMERICAN INVASION.

"The London Mail," recently had a lengthy article "The American Invaders." The article had no reference to feats of arms or military prowess of any kind but treated exclusively of the invasion of England by the products of American labor. It calls attention to the fact that in five hundred or more lines of industry, American made articles are being sold in English markets in competition with their own home products. In the language of the Mail "Today it is literally true that they are selling American cottons in Manchester, pig iron in Lancashire, tin plate in Cardiff and steel in Sheffield. It only remains for them to take American coal to Newcastle." In speaking of man's daily round of occupation from the time he gets up in the morning until the time he goes to bed at night he can hardly turn round that he does not use or touch some article of American manufacture. The infant nation of the world, the United States, may well feel proud of her triumph when it is considered from what small beginnings she has come to this strong commercial position. While there is hardly a nation in the world that would dare to provoke a war with our country on account of the power of American arms on land and on the sea, it is not in our wars that we have shown our greatest power and won our most brilliant victories. Our greatest success has been attained in the field of commerce. There is not a country from the oldest to the youngest where American goods are not found exposed for sale. American genius has triumphed and Americans surpass all others in the manufacture of labor saving machinery by which skilled workmen may make a better article at a less expense than the same article can be made for anywhere else. American pluck and energy have likewise carried the American manufactured products to all parts of the world until not only England but the other manufacturing countries of the world are complaining of the invasion of their markets by American made goods. America is a revelation to the whole world and she is yet in the infancy of her commercial triumphs.

THAT GOVERNMENT SURPLUS.

A number of the republican papers throughout the country are pointing with pride to the fact that under the present republican management there is in the treasure of the United States at the close of the present year a surplus of receipts over expenditures. That such is the case no one denies as the figures furnished by the government prove it to be true. Instead of the surplus being a credit to the republican party it is on the contrary an evidence of the way in which the administration has robbed the people unnecessarily of just that much money. It was put there by keeping a war tax on almost every thing in use by the masses after the administration has announced that the war is over. Doubtless Hanna and McKinley will claim the credit but then Hanna and his trusts were not paying any of it. The trusts have so managed this war tax business that the people have had to pay the tax. Wherever they have had to pay five cents tax for revenue they have made it the occasion of adding ten cents to the price of the taxed article before it reached the consumer. It is a most skillful piece of financial work to build up a big surplus that somebody else besides the financier has to pay. By means of the indirect tax of the protective tariff policy of the republican party aided by the useless stamp, stamp, stamp on every thing, the republican party has created a surplus by getting it out of the pockets of the people.

Mrs. Jennie Carter purchased the "Knott property" in this city, last Saturday. Consideration, \$350.—Dover Tribune.

OUR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

Frank Huchcock, chief of the foreign market section of the agricultural department of the United States, gives some figures that are gratifying to the American farmer. There were twelve countries last year, closing June 30th, that took over \$10,000,000 each of our agricultural products. The total value of such products exported last year amounted to \$844,616,550, of which breadstuffs, meat, cotton and live animals constitute about three-fourths. The United Kingdom of Great Britain took almost half of this amount, showing her to be the best customer which we have for our agricultural products. Being thus dependent on the United States for a large part of her food supplies it would be difficult for other nations to induce England to enter any trade alliance against the United States. Our agricultural products, besides being a great source of profit, are a means of maintaining commercial peace with the balance of the world.

CAPITAL FOR TEXAS.

The filing of the charter of the Houston Oil Co. last week with the secretary of the state of Texas and the chartering of the Kerby Lumber Company of that state are events that will add greatly to the development of this already prosperous state. The oil company with its thirty millions of capital will continue the prospecting and developing of the oil fields. The lumber company with its ten millions of capital is the biggest lumber company in the world. Texas has brilliant prospects before her and Missouri and the west and southwest will be benefited as Texas prospers.

ST. LOUIS ON TIME.

The way in which the directors of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company are moving out on their work is evidence that they will open the exposition at the appointed time. Many persons in the east have an idea that Missouri is slow. Kansas City, Missouri, showed the country a bit of Missouri push when she built her convention hall after the great fire. St. Louis will give the world another example of Missouri, "Get up and git," and will open the show on time.

The "Higginsville Advance" has the following:—"Judge Chinn and Attorney Vivion found the little village of Lexington too contracted to enable them to give full expression to their patriotism, so did wisely in coming to Higginsville to celebrate." Higginsville's few blocks of paved street and small bit of granitoid sidewalk have started pipe dreams in the Advance man's mind. The truth of the matter is that the above named gentleman were tired of the heat and turmoil of the county seat and were seeking a little fresh country air which they knew they could find in our little eastern suburb.

Inasmuch as Turkey had failed to pay her soldiers for a number of months the garrisons at Kilikikh and Vodena in Macedonia resolved themselves into a committee on finances and took the money in the government treasury and divided it among themselves. This plan may yet have to be adopted by the United States before she collects some of those little bills that Turkey has so long been promising to pay.

Three fires last week was the record for Odessa. They were the Baggerly Milling Co's. building, the C. & A. depot and the residence occupied by County Assessor Geo. W. Marquis. Odessa should go to hunting fire bugs.

Some of the leading ministers in our eastern cities are inviting the gentlemen of their churches to come to church in cool shirtwaists and promising them short sermons. Their congregations are improving in numbers.

The people of Camden in Ray county are alarmed at the reported appearance of a panther in that vicinity. They must get terribly big "jags" on over in that country to see "Em" as big as panthers.

The latest burglar tool is the bicycle. A Kansas City burglar recently made his escape on a wheel from two mounted police and in broad daylight.

This dry weather is hard on every thing but mosquitos and flies.

Some of our democratic journals are rejoicing over the prospect of a division in the republican ranks over the tariff question. They loose sight of the fact that Hanna is still ring master in the G. O. P. circus and his skill in using the party whip is well known. He is "Agio" tariff reform and what he says goes in the G. O. P.

The frequent report of casualties in the Philippine island battles would indicate that some considerable sprinkling of war is mixed up with that civil administration which was inaugurated on the glorious Fourth. There are some Filipinos who are not yet fully imbued with the American Fourth of July spirit.

Odessa's city council is strong on passing ordinances.

Over the State.

Richmond ss to have a tile factory. Polo was almost destroyed by fire on the Fourth.

One hundred farmers near Jefferson City have telephones.

Unless rain comes soon Oak Grove will not undertake to hold a street fair this year.

The Oak Grove Banner wants to know where those new street lamps are for that town.

A rural delivery route has been established between Hardin and Fox, both in Ray county.

From all over the state we hear of good yields of wheat and the quality is generally reported good.

Unless a heavy rain falls in central Missouri within the next week the corn crop will be a total failure.

Editor Woodyard of the Bosworth Sentinel has retired and Miss Lenora Clark assumes charge of the paper.

Fire in the pattern shops of the Kansas City Hay Press company Monday night caused a loss to the firm of about \$20,000.

Marceline has an organization of Whitecaps that have been making things lively for some objectionable citizens of that place.

Hardin's city council accepted the resignation last week of its city treasurer John B. Robinson and elected Geo. Alcorn in his place.

A passing engine set fire to a car of hay in the memphis yards at Kansas City Tuesday night and caused considerable alarm for a short time.

The editor of the Oronogo Index says that the shirtwaist is just like the ordinary garment turned upside down and worn with a drawing string.

Prof. John S. Ankney, of Kansas City, has been elected to the chair of free hand drawing at the state university, Columbia, at a salary of \$1,000 per year.

The citizens of Hardin will have a big picnic next Tuesday, July 16 at Zimmerman's Grove just southeast of the town and a good time is promised all who come.

Angora goats are said to be the best ground cleaners that walk on four feet. An angora will go two miles and jump a dozen fences to get into a patch of jimson weeds.

County News.

Concordia's rural delivery began last week with Herman Schlickerman as carrier.

The Corder brick yard is using more time and turning out more brick than ever before.

The Concordia Canning Company has recently sold its apparatus for canning corn to the Trenton, Mo. Canning Company.

At a recent meeting of the Odessa city council Harvey Brown was appointed superintendent of the Electric light plant, Ben Porter was appointed nightwatch and Geo. McNeel sexton of the city cemetery.

Prof. W. A. Marquis, son of our county assessor has been appointed for the third term as principal of the public schools of Wooton Wells, Texas. It is always with pleasure that we learn of the advancement of Lafayette county boys.

At latest accounts the bandits who robbed the Great Northern train a short time ago of about \$40,000, had safely made their escape to the fastnesses of the mountains.

DIFFICULT QUESTIONS

Getting a pair of new shoes is a cause of worry to most people, and the following difficult questions naturally arise:

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